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November 6, 2014

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Dear Dr. Rosenfeld,

On behalf of BioAmber Inc., I hereby notify the Agency of our determination on the basis of scientific procedures that BioAmber's succinic acid manufactured from fermentation is generally recognized as safe (GRAS) for the uses and use levels identified in 21 CFR 184.1091, the GRAS affirmation regulation for succinic acid. Three copies of BioAmber's GRAS notification for succinic acid are enclosed.

Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

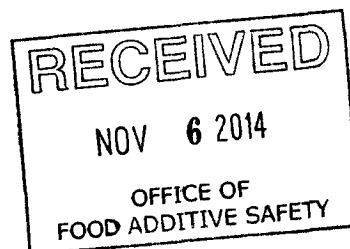
Sincerely,

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Enclosures

Cc: Laurent Bernier, BioAmber Inc.



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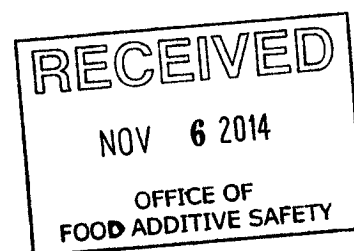
**GRAS NOTIFICATION**

**Name of Notifier:** BioAmber Inc.

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**Name of Substance and Intended Use:** Bio-based succinic acid for use as a flavor enhancer and pH  
control agent

**Dated:** November 6, 2014



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**1. Claim of GRAS Exemption**

**i. Name and Address of Notifier**

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**ii. Common or Usual name of notified substance**

The common or usual name for the substance is succinic acid. The substance is produced using bio-based technology but is virtually identical to succinic acid currently regulated as generally recognized as safe in 21 CFR 184.1091

**iii. Applicable conditions of use**

Flavor enhancer or pH control agent

**iv. Basis for GRAS determination**

The use of bio-based succinic acid is GRAS on the basis of scientific procedures in accordance with 21 CFR 170.30

**v. Statement of availability of data**

The data and information that are the basis for the GRAS determination are available for the Food and Drug Administration's review and copying and can be sent to FDA upon request.

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The foregoing and attached information considered, it is respectively submitted that the use of bio-based succinic acid prepared as described is generally recognized as safe for use in foods as flavoring agent and is therefore exempt from the pre-market approval requirements of the Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act.

Respectfully submitted,

Bio-amber

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**REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF GRAS STATUS TO SUCCINIC ACID PRODUCED BY  
FERMENTATION**

**SUBMITTED TO: Division of Biotechnology and GRAS Notice Review  
Office of Food Additive Safety, US FDA**

**BY: BIOAMBER INC.**

**DATE: November 6, 2014**

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## 1. INTRODUCTION

Succinic acid is regulated as a food additive in 21 CFR 184.1091. The regulation states that succinic acid is commercially prepared by hydrogenation of maleic or fumaric acid or by the aqueous alkali or acid hydrolysis of succinonitrile. BioAmber's fermentation technology provides several advantages over derivation from petrochemical sources, including increased efficiency and cost effectiveness and decreased environmental impact.

BioAmber's bio-based succinic acid (Bio-SA®) can be used as a monomer in the production of bioplastics and plasticizers in replacement of petroleum constituents. Succinic acid is a precursor for a number of compounds, including tetrahydrofuran, 1,4-butanediol and  $\gamma$ -butyrolactone. Succinate has a wide variety of potential applications including use in liquid antifreeze, heat transfer fluids, pigments, the polyesters poly-butylene succinate (PBS) and PEIT, synthesis intermediates and plasticizers.

BioAmber's fermentation process and integrated downstream process consume greenhouse gases ( $\text{CO}_2$ ). Its core technology has been proven at a large scale in France (350,000 litres (L)) ( [www.bio-amber.com](http://www.bio-amber.com) ).

BioAmber's succinic acid is produced by a proprietary strain of *E. Coli* K12 in their toll manufacturing facility in Bazancourt, France. However, the company will have a fully operational succinic acid plant in Sarnia, Ontario, Canada in the first quarter of 2015 when production will be assured by a recombinant *Saccharomycetaceae* strain of yeast. The Sarnia manufacturing process is described because production will soon be transferred to that plant. The characterization of succinic acid in the following section was generated using the succinic acid produced in France. The microorganism used, the process and the ensuing product are very similar and the bio-based succinic acid should be considered the same product.

## 2. CHEMICAL IDENTITY

|               |                                   |
|---------------|-----------------------------------|
| Product Name  | Bio-based succinic acid           |
| Chemical name | succinic acid<br>butanedioic acid |
| CAS number    | 110-15-6                          |
| EC number     | 203-740-4                         |

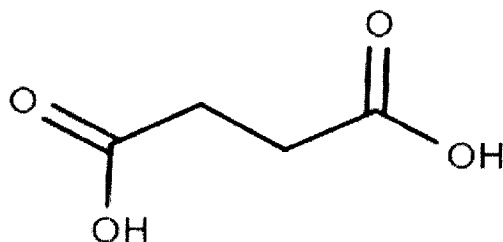


Figure 1. Chemical Structure of Succinic Acid

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Succinic acid (C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>6</sub>O<sub>4</sub>, CAS Reg. No. 110-15-6), is also known as butanedioic acid. It is a solid at room temperature, has negligible vapor pressure, high water solubility and minimal volatility. It is stable to hydrolysis and photolysis but is expected to degrade at rapid rates by biodegradation.

The succinic acid produced from BioAmber's fermentation process described in this notification is highly purified succinic acid and meets the Food Chemical Codex standards (FCC 9th edition 2014). The major characteristics and components of BioAmber's succinic acid are reported in the table below (Table 1) and the standards cited in the FCC monograph are given in the following table for comparison (Table 2). The product SDS is presented in Appendix 2 for a complete description of its physical/chemical properties.

Table 1. Major characteristics/components of BioAmber's succinic acid

| Test                   | Method                            | Units | Results                     |
|------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------|-----------------------------|
| Absorbance at 270 nm   | SUC-108-01                        | Abs   | 0.013                       |
| Acetic acid            | SUC-123-02                        | µg/g  | 57                          |
| Appearance             | Visual                            | --    | Colorless or white crystals |
| Fumaric Acid           | SUC-118-01                        | µg/g  | 61                          |
| Lactic Acid            | SUC-122-01                        | µg/g  | 16                          |
| Melting Point          | SUC-104-01                        | °C    | 187                         |
| Moisture, Karl Fischer | SUC-115-01                        | µg/g  | 0.2                         |
| pH                     | SUC-105-01                        | pH    | 2.6                         |
| Purity                 | USP Succinic Acid Monograph Assay | %     | 99.5                        |
| Residue on ignition    | USP method 281                    | %     | <0.0005                     |

It is important to note that the characteristics of BioAmber's succinic acid do not change significantly from lot to lot that are released to the customer in order to deliver a consistent product.

Table 2. Analysis of Bioamber's Succinic Acid as per US Food Chemicals Codex

| Test                | Method  | Units | Results                     |
|---------------------|---|-------|-----------------------------|
| Appearance          | Visual  | --    | Colorless or white crystals |
| Assay               | USP Succinic Acid Monograph Assay                     | %     | 99.0 – 100.5                |
| Identification      | Spectrophotometric identification test, Appendix IIIC | --    | Pass                        |
| Lead                | Lead limit test, Appendix IIIB                        | mg/kg | ≤ 2                         |
| Melting Point       | Appendix IIB  | °C    | 185.0 – 190.0               |
| Residue on ignition | Appendix IIC  | %     | ≤ 0.025                     |

Given that the succinic acid produced by BioAmber is close to being pure, i.e. ≥99.0%, there are relatively low levels of specific impurities in the product (Tables 1 and 3).

Fumaric, acetic and lactic acids (Table 1) and to a lesser extent, malic and pyruvic acids (Table 3) are produced by fermentation by the microorganism during normal metabolism and may be found at low levels in biobased succinic acid. These molecules have similar structure and are carboxylic (lactic, acetic) or dicarboxylic (succinic, fumaric, malic) acids. Pyruvic acid is a carboxylic acid with an attached ketone.

Each of these acids was given GRAS status by the FDA because of their long history of use and presence in food. Other trace impurities listed below are present under levels of detection by modern

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analytical methods. Most are metals that are normally found in water and have been introduced with the water used in the fermentation process. A full analysis was undertaken by Silliker Labs in Markham, Ontario, to determine average levels of heavy metals, pesticides and toxicants in three succinic acid samples. Two hundred and thirty pesticide compounds were tested and all were reported below the detection limit of the test.

Table 3. Trace impurities that can be found in BioAmber's succinic acid (<10 µg/g)

| Test            | Method           | Units | Results |
|-----------------|------------------|-------|---------|
| Arsenic         | EPA method 6010B | µg/g  | <0.49   |
| Cadmium         | EPA method 6010B | µg/g  | <0.05   |
| Glucose         | SUC-127-01       | µg/g  | <2.8    |
| Iron            | EPA method 6010B | µg/g  | <2.40   |
| Lead            | EPA method 6010B | µg/g  | <1.5    |
| Malic Acid      | SUC-122-01       | µg/g  | <10     |
| Mercury         | EPA method 7471A | µg/g  | <0.05   |
| Pyruvic Acid    | SUC-118-01       | µg/g  | <7      |
| Total Nitrogen  | SUC-117-01       | µg/g  | 8       |
| Total Phosphate | SUC-114-01       | µg/g  | 1       |

BioAmber's succinic acid is virtually identical to the conventional succinic acid and that no difference in functional effectiveness is expected.

### 3. HISTORY OF USE AND REGULATORY STATUS

Succinic acid is widely used as a flavor enhancer and pH control agent for food. Maximum recommended concentrations for succinic acid added to meat and condiments and relish s are 0.0061 and 0.084 %, respectively. The addition of succinic acid to food is limited to the amount consistent with Good Manufacturing Processes.

#### Regulatory status – United States

*Succinic acid* is on the TSCA list of registered substances with number 2517. Succinic acid is Generally Recognized as Safe for use in food as a flavor enhancer and pH control agent (21 CFR 184.1091).

#### Regulatory status - Canada

*Of succinic acid.* It is on the Domestic Substances List.

*Of the microorganism.* The period of assessment by Environment Canada of the New Substance Notification dossier No. 17329 for the BioAmber yeast strain with the additional review of the biosafety level of the strain by the Centre for Biosecurity of the Public Health Agency of Canada (PHAC), is now complete. In summary, PHAC confirms that the strain is a Biosafety level 1 organism and neither PHAC nor Environment Canada found any risk associated with the activities proposed in our notification. This means that BioAmber can import and use the SBA strain in Sarnia for the manufacturing of bio-based succinic acid under the operational and safety procedures mentioned in the notification.

#### Regulatory status - Europe

*Of succinic acid.* Submission report UD309022-56 was filed on April 17<sup>th</sup> 2012 to comply with the European REACH regulation. For this submission, BioAmber was under the obligation to demonstrate that their bio-based succinic acid molecule was the same as the one obtained from a petro chemical

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source. A Proton Nuclear Magnetic Resonance (*<sup>1</sup>H-NMR*) Spectroscopy assay was therefore conducted to demonstrate the equivalency between the two molecules<sup>1</sup>.

*Note on the microorganism used by ARD, Bazancourt, France, BioAmber's toll manufacturer.* At present, the microorganism used for the production of succinic acid is a strain of E. Coli K12. The specifications and characteristics of the finished ingredient presented above are those determined with the succinic acid produced in France. The fermentation process is very similar to the one that will be used with the SBA strain of yeast in BioAmber's plant in Sarnia, therefore the characteristics of the succinic acid produced by the SBA yeast are expected to be similar.

#### Self-limiting levels of use

Succinic acid is affirmed as GRAS for use as a flavor enhancer under 21 CFR 184.1091 as defined in 170.3(o)(11) and a pH control agent as defined in 170.3(o)(23). The ingredient is used in food at levels not to exceed good manufacturing practice in accordance with 184.1(b)(1). Current good manufacturing practice results in a maximum level, as served, of 0.084 percent in condiments and relishes as defined in 170.3(n)(8) of this chapter and 0.0061 percent in meat products as defined in 170.3(n)(29) of this chapter. Prior sanctions for this ingredient different from the uses established in this section do not exist or have been waived.

## 4. COSMETICS

Succinic acid is on the International Nomenclature of Cosmetic Ingredients with the following description:

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| <b>Chem/IUPAC Name / Description:</b>    | 1,4 Butanediol/Succinic Acid/Adipic Acid/HDI Copolymer is a copolymer of Hexanedioic acid, polymer with butanedioic acid, 1,4-butanediol, and 1,6-diisocyanatohexane |
| <b>Restriction (applies to EU only):</b> | Last update on 2009 Jul 14 - no restriction  |
| <b>Functions:</b>                        | 1,4 Butanediol/Succinic Acid/Adipic Acid/HDI Copolymer is classified as: ABRASIVE, BINDING, FILM FORMING   |

## 5. FOOD

Succinic acid is one of the natural acids found in broccoli, rhubarb, beets, asparagus, fresh meat extracts, sauerkraut and cheese (Furia, 1972). Succinic acid is used in the food and beverage industry, primarily as an acidity regulator.

<sup>1</sup> A sample of bio-based succinic acid was characterized by Nucleic Magnetic Resonance (NMR) <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} by FILAB Industrial Analyses Laboratories, Dijon, France, to confirm the identity of the molecule therefore establishing equivalency with the petrol based molecule. The analyses were done with a Bruker NMR 300 MHz spectrometer equipped with a BBOF sensor at ambient temperature (300K). Obtained spectra are representative of the structure of succinic acid samples used as references (SDBS ref 3001). The full report can be found in Appendix 3.

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## 5.1. REGULATORY STATUS

Table 1. Regulatory status of succinic acid in the food industry

| COUNTRY       | GOVERNING BODY/<br>LEGISLATION                                   | Status of Succinic Acid  |   |
|---------------|--|--|---|
|               |  | As food additive   | As a Food Flavor  |
| UNITED STATES | United States Food and Drug Administration                       | is considered a Food Additive and can be marketed and sold in the US because:<br><br>Is considered GRAS therefore no further authorization is required for use as a food additive  | Since succinic acid is considered a food additive and food flavors are a subset of the food additive group, succinic acid can be marketed and sold as a food flavor in the US.  |
| EUROPE        | European Food Safety Authority                                   | Succinic acid is on the list of food additives: E number: E 363 with restrictions. It is authorized in the following categories: a) flavored fermented milk products including heat treated products: ML <sup>2</sup> =6000 mg/L; b) soups and broths : ML=5000 mg/kg; c) flavored drinks, only powders for home preparation of : ML=3000 mg/L; d) Desserts excluding certain category of products : ML=6000 mg/kg | Succinic acid is on the list of food flavorings: FL No. 08.024, for all categories of flavored foods under Legislation: (EU) No. 872/2012. Furthermore, the product can be labeled as 'Natural' according to articles 3(2) (c) and (k) of Regulation (EC) No. 1334/2008 regarding natural flavoring substances. |
| INTERNATIONAL | Food and Agricultural Organization and World Health Organization | Succinic acid was evaluated at the 29th meeting of the Joint FAO/WHO Committee on Food Additives and Contaminants.   | An ADI "not specified" was established for the succinate moiety.  |

## 5.2 DIETARY INTAKES

Because the intended uses are identical and bio-based succinic acid meets Food Chemicals Codex specifications no increased exposures are anticipated from dietary exposure to bio-based succinic acid. The European Food Safety Agency estimated that dietary exposure to succinic acid in Europe in 1,500 micrograms per person per day (EFSA, 2011).

## 5.3 INTENDED CONDITIONS OF USE

The intended use of the bio-based succinic acid will be as a flavor enhancer and a pH control agent as defined in 21 CFR 170.3(o) (11) and as determined by 21 CFR 184.1091. The intended use of bio-based succinic acid is identical to succinic acid as described in 21 CFR 184.1091.

<sup>2</sup> Maximum Limit

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## 6. MANUFACTURING BIO-BASED SUCCINIC ACID

Yeasts are used as biocatalysts in a number of industrial fermentations (pharmaceuticals, amino acids, vitamins, alcohol, wine, beer, etc.) and have been extensively used throughout history. They present several advantages over bacteria, including resistance to bacteriophage infection, which can lead to loss of productivity or of whole fermentation runs as with bacteria. Until recently, yeast strains that have been developed for succinate production have not exhibited high enough yields, titers and volumetric productivity for economic production at an industrial scale. An improved yeast strain that cost-effectively generates succinate on a large scale is now used for the commercial production of succinic acid.

### 6.1 BIOAMBER'S PROPRIETARY STRAIN OF MICROORGANISM

#### Source of the strain

The present strain of yeast used by BioAmber for succinic acid production is called the SBA strain. The SBA strain was developed from a wild-type of *Saccharomycetaceae* strain of yeast isolated from high moisture corn in the US. No sexual reproduction is expected because the strain is an anamorph of the genus. An anamorph is an asexual version of a yeast species while the telomorph is the sexual (perfect state) version.

### 6.2. DESCRIPTION OF THE BIOLOGICAL AND ECOLOGICAL CHARACTERISTICS OF THE WILD HOST AND SBA STRAIN

#### Biology, habitat, geographical distribution of the host microorganism

The host strain is widely distributed in nature and has been isolated from various natural habitats including soil, air, sewage, silage and foods. The latter include dairy and meat products, sugar and syrup-based products, wines and beers, cocoa fermentations, rotten fruit, table olives, silage/feeds, wines, beers and various cereal fermentations. It is also found in chickens and seagulls. It is considered a transient commensal in man and has been isolated from the skin and the mucosal surfaces of healthy individuals.

#### The use of similar yeasts in the food industry

Yeasts extracts such as brewer's yeast have a long history of use in the food industry and more uses are being developed for these microorganisms. The increasing interest in healthy diets stimulated the innovative development of novel products with antioxidant ability in the food industry. These yeasts extracted from dairy products were shown to have excellent antioxidant activity and are recommended for the production of functional foods or natural antioxidant supplements in the food industry. They are present at a low level in spontaneous fermentation of grapes.

### 6.3 RISKS INVOLVING THE USE OF THE SBA STRAIN

The SBA strain has been altered considerably to produce succinic acid therefore reducing its capacity to perform other metabolic pathways. It has demonstrated a two-fold lower growth rate than the wild host strain (see below). **The conditions required for, and conditions that limit survival, growth and replication of the SBA strain:**

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- Upper limit for growth = 45°C, no lower limit known survives at -80C for weeks without cryoprotectant (these data exceptionally pertains to the wild strain);
- Organism can be killed by temperatures >60C for times >1.5 hrs;
- Chemical kill – bleach kill validated at 2% household bleach volume/volume for 60 min.
- Genetically modified strain will not grow in the absence of oxygen.
- Lower growth rate than wild type
- Organism has limited substrate range.

### **Sensitivity to known antimicrobials**

Studies with the SBA strain using several different classes of antifungal agents, ( i.e. Polyene: Amphotericin B ; Imidazole: Ketoconazole ; Triazole: Fluconazole ; Echonicandin: Caspofungin ; Nucleic acid analogue: Flucytosine) demonstrated that the SBA strain is susceptible to fluconazole as well as to amphotericin B, flucytosine and ketoconazole and resistant to capsosfungin (Dubois and Bernier 2013).

### **Risk that the SBA strain will have adverse human health effects**

There are no documented reports of adverse human health effects of the SBA strain.

SBA strain is not likely to pose a risk to human health, to plants, or to other microorganisms because the host strain has been shown to survive poorly in the environment, has a history of safe commercial use, and is not known to have adverse effects on humans, plants or microorganisms. In general, large scale industrial manufacture of the host strain preparations have a history of safe use in many industries including ethanol production. Based on the criteria outline in the OECD guidelines entitled Recombinant DNA Safety Considerations (OECD 1986) and the European Communities Council Directive 90/219/EEC an following amendment (ECC 1998) on the contained use of genetically modified microorganisms (ECC 1990), *the host strain* can be regarded as a safe host organism.

In summary, the wild host strain is considered a BSL1 microorganism and the BioAmber's SBA strain was given the same status by Health Canada and Environment Canada. The genetic modifications performed to develop SBA strain do not give rise to concerns of altered virulence or pathogenicity to humans, animals, plants or altered hazards to the environment. The phenotype resulting from the modifications is well characterized and is not likely to influence the normal behaviour of the SBA strain.

The system monitoring approach at BioAmber will also be in compliance with regulatory requirements on containment of the microorganism of the BioSafety Level 1 Containment as described in the previous section.

## **7. EXPOSURE TO SUCCINIC ACID FROM ITS INTENDED USES**

### **Intended use**

The intended uses of the bio-based succinic acid will be as a flavor enhancer and a pH control agent. These uses are identical to those described for succinic acid in 21 CFR 184.1091.

### **Risks related to the substance**

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Succinic acid is an organic diacid with 4 C ( $C_4H_6O_4$ ) which is present in numerous metabolic pathways of life forms. Because the intended uses are identical and bio-based succinic acid meets Food Chemicals Codex specifications no increased risk is anticipated from dietary exposure to bio-based succinic acid.

## 8. SAFETY ASSESSMENT OF SUCCINIC ACID

BioAmber's succinic acid is substantially equivalent to the product made by hydrogenation of maleic or fumaric acid or by aqueous alkali or acid hydrolysis of succinonitrile, which is affirmed as GRAS in 21 CFR 184.1091.

The following is a presentation of studies done with succinic acid since the assessment for GRAS status in 1973 (Informatics inc. 1973) and corresponding work done for FDA and published in 1975 (Litton Bionetics Inc. 1975; Federation of American Societies for Experimental Biology 1975).

**United States Environmental Protection Agency High Production Volume Challenge Program.** The US EPA reviewed data on succinic acid in 2008 in the context of its High Production Volume (HPV) Challenge Program which entails the identification and initial assessment of the adequacy of existing toxicity data/information in order to provide to the public, information on health and environmental effects of chemicals manufactured in or imported into the US in quantities greater than one million pounds per year (EPA OPPT 2008). Because succinic acid was produced in volumes in the range of 10 to 50 million pounds per year, the product was included in the HPV evaluation.

The information reviewed confirmed that the acute oral toxicity of succinic acid is low. Repeated exposures via oral route affected body weight gains at higher doses. In repeated-dose toxicity studies, no effects on reproductive organs were seen. In developmental toxicity studies, the category members did not show any effects on fetal survival, fetal weight, litter size or implantations, or any skeletal or visceral abnormalities. Succinic acid was not mutagenic in tested strains of *Salmonella typhimurium* as well as in mammalian cells and did not induce statistically significant increase in the mean number of micronucleated polychromatic erythrocytes in the bone marrow of CD-1 mice. In a 2-year carcinogenicity study of monosodium succinate, tumors were found in many organs or tissues in all groups including the controls. None of the treated groups showed a significant increase in the incidence of any tumors over that in the corresponding controls. Monosodium succinate did not increase the incidence of any tumors over that in the corresponding controls in a 2-year drinking water study. The potential health hazard of the dicarboxylic acid is low based on the available animal data reviewed (EPA OPPT 2008).

The following sections give details on the studies done for the HPV Challenge Program as well as results taken from the literature on the toxicology of succinic acid.

### 8.1 ABSORPTION, DISTRIBUTION, METABOLISM AND EXCRETION

Succinic acid is formed endogenously as a component of the tricarboxylic acid cycle (Krebs, 1938). High concentrations of succinate promote the activity of succinate dehydrogenation in the cycle

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(Leninger, 1975). Succinate is metabolized to fumarate. This reaction is inhibited by oxaloacetate and other intermediates. A complex network controls the rate of carboxylic acid cycle.

## 8.2 ACUTE TOXICITY

Table 2. Results of acute toxicity studies using succinic acid or similar chemistries

| Reference            | Short description /Results  |
|----------------------|---|
| Maekawa et al. 1990. | Monosodium succinate was dissolved in distilled water. Groups of 4 male and 4 female rats were given, by stomach tube, a single dose of 0.5, 1, 2, 4, or 8 g monosodium succinate/kg body weight. Oral LD50> 8 g/kg |
| Lewis, 1996          | LD50 Rat oral 2260 mg/kg  |

## 8.3 SUBCHRONIC (REPEATED DOSE) TOXICITY

Table 3. Results from subchronic or repeated dose studies using succinic acid or similar chemistries

| Reference            | Short description /Results   |
|----------------------|--|
| Thind et al. 1980    | Administration of 500 mg/100g/day of succinic acid for 20 days to rats 60 days post-operative after induction of bladder stone formation. Stone formation was seen in 36% of animals treated with succinic acid and, 60% of control animals.   |
| Maekawa et al. 1990. | In a 13-week study, groups of male and female F344 rats were administered monosodium succinate at 0, 0.3, 0.6, 1.25, 2.5, 5 and 10% (approximately 0, 300, 600, 1250, 2500 and 10,000 mg/kg-bw/day) in their drinking water. All animals in the 10% group showed severely decreased body weight gain (severely emaciated) and died within the first 4 weeks of the study. The decreased body weight gain was also seen at and above 2.5%. No effects were seen on hematological or biochemical parameters. No treatment-related histological lesions were seen in any organ, although atrophy of organs was noted. LOAEL = 2.5% (~2500 mg/kg-bw/day; based on severely decreased body weight gain). NOAEL = 1.25% (~1250 mg/kg-bw/day) |

## 8.4 DEVELOPMENTAL AND REPRODUCTIVE TOXICITY

Table 4. Results from developmental studies using succinic acid

| Reference               | Short description /Results  |
|-------------------------|---|
| Verrett et al. 1980.    | Fresh fertile eggs were used. The test material was administered by a single injection in a volume of 100 µL or less, and solvent controls were treated with the same volume of the solvent (water) only. For each injection route, eggs were treated at 2 stages of incubation: preincubation (0 hour) and at the 4th day (96 hours). Hence there were 4 test conditions for the test substance. Groups of 20 or more eggs were treated under these 4 conditions at a minimum of 5 dose levels until a total of approximately 100 eggs per level was reached for all levels that allowed some chicks to hatch. Groups of comparable size were treated with the vehicle at corresponding volumes, and untreated controls were also included in each experiment. Succinic acid had an LD50 of 0.32 mg/egg in the air cell at 96 hours. The highest level tested was 2.5 mg/egg. No teratogenic effects were observed in the developing chicken embryo. |
| Ain and Seshagiri 1997. | The influence of succinate on the development of hamster 8-cell embryos to blastocysts was examined using a chemically defined protein-free modified hamster embryo culture medium-2 (HECM-2m). There was a dose-dependent influence of succinate on blastocyst development; 0.5 mM was optimal. The data showed that supplementation of succinate to HECM-2m supports 100% development of hamster 8-cell embryos to high quality viable blastocysts, and that non-glucose oxidizable energy substrates are the most preferred components in hamster embryo culture   |

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## 8.5 CARCINOGENICITY

Table 5. Results from carcinogenicity studies using succinic acid or similar chemistries

| Reference            | Short description /Results  |
|----------------------|---|
| Maekawa et al. 1990. | In a 2-year carcinogenicity study, male and female F344 rats were administered monosodium succinate in drinking water at 0, 1 and 2% (~1000 or 2000 mg/kg-bw/day). After 104 weeks of treatment, the rats were given distilled water for additional 9 weeks and then sacrificed at week 113. The test substance intake was 196 and 437 mg/rat/day for males and 146, and 309 mg/rat/day for females, at 1 and 2%, respectively. Treatment- and dose-dependent decreases in growth rate were seen. In both sexes, there were no statistically significant differences between the control and treated groups in overall tumor incidences and mean survival times. Tumors were found in many organs or tissues in all groups including the controls. None of the treated groups showed a significant increase in the incidence of any tumors over that in the corresponding controls. Monosodium succinate did not increase the incidence of any tumors over that in the corresponding controls in a 2 - year drinking water study. |
| Otoshi et al. 1993   | Succinic acid, sodium succinate and disodium succinate were tested for their effects on cell proliferation and its subsequent influence on the development of bladder cancer in F344 rats. In experiment 1, male rats treated with the promoter N-butyl-N-(4-hydroxybutyl) nitrosamine for 4 weeks and ten received basal diets containing 5% of the acid or sodium salts for 32 weeks. In experiment 2 male rats received diets containing either 5% sodium succinate or 5% disodium succinate for 8 weeks. Tumor promotion was associated with sodium ion levels. The results indicate that succinic acid had no effect on promotion of carcinogenesis  |

## 8.6. GENOTOXICITY

Table 6. Results from genetic toxicity studies using succinic acid

| Reference             | Short description /Results  |
|-----------------------|---|
| Ishidate et al. 1984. | Reverse mutation assays were carried out according to the pre-incubation method of Ames et al., 1975 with <i>Salmonella typhimurium</i> TA92, TA1535, TA100, TA1537, TA94, and TA98. Cells cultured overnight were pre-incubated with both the test substance and the S-9 mix for 20 minutes at 37°C before plating. Duplicate plates were used for each of 6 different concentrations of the sample. The number of revertant (his+) colonies was scored after incubation at 37°C for 2 days. The result was considered positive if the number of colonies found was twice the number in the control (phosphate buffer). Succinic acid was not mutagenic to <i>Salmonella typhimurium</i> TA92, TA1535, TA100, TA1537, TA94, and TA98, with and without polychlorinated biphenyl KC-400- treated rat liver S-9 at a maximum dose of 5.0 mg/plate (no other doses were specified). No significant increases in the number of revertant colonies were detected in any <i>S. typhimurium</i> strains at the maximum dose. Succinic acid was not mutagenic in these assays. |
| Ishidate et al. 1984. | Type: Chromosomal Aberration Test<br>Cell Type: Chinese hamster fibroblasts<br>The cells were exposed to the test substance at 3 different doses of succinic acid for 24 and 48 hours. The maximum dose was selected based on a preliminary test, in which the dose needed for 50% cell-growth inhibition was estimated using a cell densitometer. Untreated cells and solvent-treated (physiological saline) cells served as negative controls. The results were considered to be negative if the incidence was less than 4.9%, equivocal if it was between 5.0 and 9.9%, and positive if it was more than 10.0%. (Note: Metabolic activation was not employed.) There was 0% polyploid and 1.0% structural aberrations at 48 hours at the maximum dose tested. Succinic acid did not induce chromosomal aberrations in this assay.  |

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## **9. Basis for Concluding that the Notified Use of Succinic Acid is GRAS**

General recognition of safety based on scientific procedures requires that the substance as a whole be recognized as safe on the basis of a scientific evaluation of toxicity and level of use and that the scientific information for the assessment on which the finding is based be generally available (21 CFR 170.30). These two findings have already been established for succinic acid as demonstrated by its GRAS status in 21 CFR 184.1091. In this notification we are only notifying a new method of production for the substance. The salient issue is whether that notified process is substantially equivalent to that made by the conventional process.

Analytical data described in this notification show that the impurities present in the BioAmber succinic acid are present at a very low level and primarily consist of components that also GRAS. Based on the totality of the evidence we conclude that succinic acid resulting from the BioAmber fermentation process is substantially equivalent to that made with the conventional process.

The information described above and the attached information considered, it is respectfully submitted that under the conditions of intended use, BioAmber's succinic acid is exempt from the premarket approval requirements of the Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act because it is generally recognized as safe.

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**APPENDIX 1**

**SPECIFICATIONS FOR BIO-BASED SUCCINIC ACID**

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**PACKAGING, STORAGE AND TRANSPORT**

Packaging: 500-Kg big-bags, 25-kg bags  
Storage: Two years in unopened original packaging in a dry place before re-certification  
Transport: Not dangerous good as per US Gov. CFR 172.101

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**SPECIFICATIONS**

|                   |                          |                      |                          |
|-------------------|--------------------------|----------------------|--------------------------|
| CAS number:       | 110-15-6                 | Particle size:       | 98% <500µm               |
| EINECS number:    | 203-740-4                | Bio-based carbon:    | > 97%                    |
| Molecular weight: | 118.09 g/mol             | Assay:               | > 99,5% (Titration NaOH) |
| Melting point :   | 186°C – 190°C            | Residue on Ignition: | < 0,025%                 |
| Boiling point:    | 235°C                    | Water content:       | < 0,5%                   |
| Appearance:       | white crystalline powder | Other organic acids: | < 0,2%                   |
| Lead:             | < 1 mg/kg                | Arsenic:             | < 1 mg/kg                |
| Mercury:          | < 1 mg/kg                |                      |                          |

Succinic acid is registered under REACH (01-2119896114-34-0001). Succinic acid (Flavis N° 08.024) meets Regulation EC N°1334/2008 on Natural Food Flavoring, Regulation EC N°1333/2008 and E363 of EU231/2012 on Food Additives and Regulation EC N°1831/2003 on Feed Additives. Succinic acid also meets the USP FCC monograph standard for purity. It is on the US Everything Added to Food in the United States list (EAFUS) and is accepted as a food additive (21 CFR 184.109) and a food flavor in the US. Succinic acid is a USDA certified bio-preferred product; for more information go to [www.biopreferred.gov](http://www.biopreferred.gov). It is certified Kosher by the Federation of Synagogues, UK and is produced using non-genetically modified feedstocks.

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**Safety Data**

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**APPENDIX 2**

**SDS FOR BIO-BASED SUCCINIC ACID**

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### **APPENDIX 3**

#### **NMR REPORT DETERMINING EQUIVALENCY BETWEEN PETRO-BASED AND BIO-BASED SUCCINIC ACID**

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**APPENDIX 1**

**SPECIFICATIONS FOR BIO-BASED SUCCINIC ACID**

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**APPENDIX 2**

**SDS FOR BIO-BASED SUCCINIC ACID**

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**1. IDENTIFICATION****1.1. Product identification**

|               |                                   |
|---------------|-----------------------------------|
| Product Name  | Bio-based succinic acid           |
| Chemical name | succinic acid<br>butanedioic acid |
| CAS number    | 110-15-6                          |
| EC number     | 203-740-4                         |

**1.2. Relevant identified uses of the substance or mixture and uses advised against**

|                 |  |
|-----------------|--|
| Applications    | Intermediate   |
| Identified uses | Manufacture via a fermentation procedure<br>Industrial distribution<br>Formulation (chemical products for water treatment)<br>Formulation (welding products)<br>Final industrial use (pH regulator, flocculating agent, precipitant, neutralisation agent, other non-specified)<br>Final industrial use (water treatment)<br>Final industrial use (welding products)<br>Final industrial use (monomeric)<br>Final industrial use (intermediate in a formulation)<br>Final industrial use (esterification and other synthesis processes)<br>Final industrial use (hydrogenation)<br>Final industrial use (food additives) |

**1.3. Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet**

|               |   |
|---------------|---|
| Name          | BIOAMBER S.A.S                                |
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| Phone         | +33 (0)3 26 89 48 90                          |
| Contact email | info@bio-amber.com                            |

**1.4. Emergency phone number**

|   |  |
|---|--|
| For Hazardous                               | Call CHEMTREC Day or Night                                       |
| Materials Incidents                         | Within USA and Canada: 1-800-424-9300                            |
| Spill, Leak, Fire,<br>Exposure, or Accident | Outside USA and Canada: +1 703-527-3887 (collect calls accepted) |

**2. HAZARD IDENTIFICATION****2.1. Classification of the substance****2.1.1. Classification of the substance according to OSHA HCS 2012**

|                       |                           |
|-----------------------|---------------------------|
| Eye Damage Category 1 | Causes serious eye damage |
|-----------------------|---------------------------|

**2.1.2. Classification of the substance according to HMIS Classification**

|                   |   |
|-------------------|---|
| Health hazard:    | 2 |
| Flammability:     | 0 |
| Physical hazards: | 0 |

### 2.1.3. Classification of the substance according to NFPA Rating

Health: 2  
Flammability: 0  
Instability: 0

### 2.1.4. Classification of the substance according to WHMIS

Class D2B (eye irritation)

### 2.2. Labelling elements according to OSHA HCS 2012

Symbol



Signal word Danger

Hazard statement Causes serious eye damage

Precaution statements Wear eye protection/face protection.

If in eyes: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.  
Immediately call a physician.

### 2.3. Other dangers

Potential effects on health (not fulfilling the criteria for classification):

Inhalation: May be harmful if inhaled. Causes respiratory tract irritation.

Cutaneous: May cause skin irritation.

Ingestion: May be harmful if swallowed.

## 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

| Chemical Name | Common name/Synonyms                        | CAS number | EC number | [%]    |
|---------------|---|------------|-----------|--------|
| Succinic acid | Butanedioic acid<br>Bio-based succinic acid | 110-15-6   | 203-740-4 | 98-100 |

## 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

### 4.1. First aid description

General instructions Consult a doctor. Show this safety data sheet to the doctor to help him/her provide the right assistance. Move away from the danger zone.

If inhaled If inhaled, get the person in question into fresh air. If they are no longer breathing, perform artificial respiration. Consult a doctor.

In the event of skin contact Rinse with soap and plenty of water. Consult a doctor.

|                                       |  |
|---------------------------------------|--|
| In the event of contact with the eyes | Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing. Immediately call a physician. |
| If ingested                           | Never administer anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Rinse the mouth with water. Consult a doctor.   |

**4.2. Principal symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed**

Eye contact will result in strong irritation. No known delayed effects.

**4.3. Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed**

Treat symptomatically.

**5. FIREFIGHTING MEASURES**

|  |   |
|--|---|
| <b>5.1. Extinguishing methods</b>  | <u>Appropriate:</u> water jet, alcohol-resistant foam, dry chemical products or carbon dioxide. |
| <b>5.2. Specific hazards from the substance or mixtures</b>                | Hazardous decomposition products formed under fire conditions - Carbon oxides                   |
| <b>5.3. Special protective equipment and precautions for fire-fighters</b> | Wear self-contained breathing apparatus if necessary.   |

**6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES**

|   |  |
|---|--|
| <b>6.1. Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures</b> | Use personal protection equipment. Avoid producing dust. Avoid breathing in dust. Ensure that ventilation is adequate. |
| <b>6.2. Environmental protection precautions</b>                                | Do not let the product get into the drains.  |
| <b>6.3. Methods and materials for containment and cleaning</b>                  | Gather and dispose of without creating dust. Store in closed containers that are appropriate for disposal.             |

**7. HANDLING AND STORAGE**

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| <b>7.1. Precautions to be taken for safe handling</b>                | Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Avoid producing dust or aerosols. Provide appropriate ventilation in locations where dust is generated. The usual preventive measures for protecting against fire. |
| <b>7.2. Safe storage conditions, including any incompatibilities</b> | Use tightly sealed containers and store them in a dry and well-ventilated space.   |

**8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION****8.1. Control parameters**

Exposure limits

OSHA: Not established  
ACGIH: Not established

### 8.2. Personal protection

Appropriate engineering measures  
Personal protection equipment

No special ventilation requirements. Good general ventilation should be sufficient to control worker exposure to airborne contaminants.

Eye/face protection: Wear eye protection/face protection.

Skin/hand protection: Wear gloves when handling. Select bodily protection measures depending on the quantity and concentration of the hazardous substance in the workplace.

Respiratory protection: If the risk assessment shows that gas masks with air purifying filters are appropriate, use a type N95 mask (US) or a type P3 (EN 143) respirator. Use masks that have been tested and approved to the appropriate standards such as NIOSH (US) or CEN (EU).

Hygiene measures: Handle in accordance with industrial good hygiene and safety practices. Wash hands before breaks and at the end of the day.

## 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

### 9.1. Information about the essential physical and chemical properties

|   |  |
|---|--|
| Physical state                                      | Powder   |
| Colour  | White  |
| Odour   | Odourless  |
| Olfactory threshold                                 | Not determined   |
| pH  | 2.4 to 2.8 (1% aqueous solution)   |
| Melting point/freezing point                        | 185 to 187°C   |
| Boiling point                                       | 235°C  |
| Flash point   | Not applicable. The flash point is a property that is relevant for liquids and solids with low melting points. Succinic acid has a melting point above 185°C.                                    |
| Evaporation rate                                    | Not determined   |
| Flammability (solid, gas)                           | Succinic acid is non-flammable. Practical experience with this substance has shown that succinic acid is not pyrophoric and does not emit flammable gases when it comes into contact with water. |
| Upper/lower flammability limits or explosive limits | Not determined   |
| Vapour pressure                                     | 0.000025 Pa (25°C)   |
| Vapour density                                      | Not determined   |
| Relative density                                    | 1.57 (at 20°C)   |
| Solubility in water                                 | 83 g/L (at 25°C)   |

|   |   |
|---|---|
| In other solvents                                 | Not determined  |
| Partition coefficient:<br><i>n</i> -octanol/water | Log $K_{ow}$ : -0.59  |
| Auto-ignition temperature                         | No auto-ignition temperature could be determined up to 220°C, a temperature that is already above the melting point.  |
| Decomposition temperature                         | Not determined  |
| Viscosity   | Not applicable. Succinic acid is a solid.   |
| Explosive properties                              | Not applicable. Succinic acid does not contain any chemical groups that are associated with explosiveness. Succinic acid is not expected to be sensitive to static discharge. |
| Oxidising properties                              | Not applicable. Succinic acid does not contain any chemical structures that would suggest oxidising properties.   |

## 9.2. Other information

Kst, Pmax: Kst = 51 bar.m/s - Pmax = 7.4 bar  
Minimum energy for inflammability > 1000 mJ  
Inflammability temperature (cloud) min. 620°C

## 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

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| 10.1. Reactivity                        | Succinic acid does not become liquid during transport. It is therefore exempt from corrosiveness tests with respect to metals. |
| 10.2. Chemical stability                | Stable under the recommended storage conditions.   |
| 10.3. Potential for dangerous reactions | Under normal conditions of storage and use, hazardous polymerization will not occur  |
| 10.4. Conditions to be avoided          | Not available.   |
| 10.5. Incompatible materials            | Bases, oxidising agents, reducing agents   |
| 10.6. Dangerous decomposition products  | In the event of a fire: carbon dioxide and carbon monoxide   |

## 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### 11.1. Information about toxicological effects

|                 |   |
|-----------------|---|
| Routes of Entry | Inhalation, ingestion, and dermal and eye contact |
|-----------------|---|

|   |   |
|---|---|
| Acute toxicity  | <p>The acute toxicity of succinic acid is low:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <u>oral</u>:<br/>Results of studies into rats by Fisher 344 (Guideline OECD 401)<br/>LD<sub>50</sub> (rat, oral): 6740 mg/kg bw</li> <li>- <u>cutaneous</u>:<br/>Not determined</li> <li>- <u>inhalation</u>:<br/>Results of studies into rats by Sprague-Dawley (Guideline OECD 403)<br/>LC<sub>50</sub> (rat, inhalation): 1284 mg/m<sup>3</sup> air</li> </ul> |
| Skin corrosion/skin irritation                                  | Results of studies into rabbits (Guideline OECD 404, EU B.4): not irritant.   |
| Severe eye injuries/eye irritation                              | Results of studies into rabbits (Guideline OECD 405, EU B.5): strong irritant.  |
| Respiratory or cutaneous sensitisation                          | <p><u>Respiratory</u>:<br/>Comparative reading of the results for fumaric acid indicates that there will be no topical effects on the respiratory system.</p> <p><u>Cutaneous</u>:<br/><i>Local lymph node assay</i> (LLNA): non-sensitising<br/><i>Guinea pig maximisation test</i> (GPMT): non-sensitising</p>  |
| Stem cell mutagenicity  | <p>Result of the Ames test: negative</p> <p>Result of the chromosomal aberration test: negative</p>   |
| Carcinogenicity   | <p>Results of studies into rats by Fisher 344 (Guideline OECD 451): comparative reading of the results for succinate indicates there will be neither toxicity nor carcinogenic activity.</p> <p>NOAEL<sub>oral</sub>: 860 mg/kg bw/day</p> <p>NTP: Not listed<br/>IARC: Not listed<br/>OSHA: Not listed</p>   |
| Reproductive toxicity   | There are no indications of any toxicity in terms of reproduction or development.   |
| Teratogenicity/Embryotoxicity                                   | There are no indications of any toxicity in terms of teratogenicity or embryotoxicity.  |
| Specific toxicity for various target organs - single exposure   | Not determined  |
| Specific toxicity for various target organs - repeated exposure | <p><u>Oral</u>:<br/>Results of studies into rats (Guideline OECD 408):<br/>NOAEL: 860 mg/kg bw/day (chronic; rat)</p>   |
| Hazards due to aspiration                                       | Not applicable. Succinic acid is a solid.   |
| Toxicologically Synergistic Materials                           | Not available   |

## 11.2. Potential health effects

|            |   |
|------------|---|
| Inhalation | May be harmful if inhaled. Causes respiratory tract irritation. |
| Ingestion  | May be harmful if swallowed.                                    |
| Cutaneous  | May cause skin irritation.                                      |



Eye

Strong irritant. Causes serious eye damage.

## 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### 12.1. Toxicity

No dangers have been identified at biologically relevant concentrations.

#### Aquatic toxicity

Acute toxicity, fish (Guideline OECD 203):

LC<sub>50</sub> fresh water (*Danio rerio*) 96h >100 mg/L.

Acute toxicity, invertebrates (Guideline OECD 202):

EC<sub>50</sub> 48h fresh water (*Daphnia magna*) in a test with pH adjustment >100 mg/L.

Acute toxicity, algae (Guideline OECD 201):

EC<sub>50</sub> 72h fresh water (*Pseudokirchnerella subcapitata*) >100 mg/L.

NOEC 100 mg/L.

### 12.2. Persistence and degradability

Toxicity to micro-organisms (Guideline OECD 209):

EC<sub>50</sub> 3h fresh water (activated sludge) >300 mg/L.

Results of a study into biodegradability in water (Guideline OECD 301 E): easily biodegradable

### 12.3. Bioaccumulation potential

Log Kow < 4.5: non-bioaccumulating

### 12.4. Mobility in the soil

The substance only has a weak adsorption potential

### 12.5. Results of PBT and vPvB evaluations

The substance is neither persistent, nor bioaccumulating, nor toxic

### 12.6. Other undesirable effects

None known.

## 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

### 13.1. Waste handling methods

Respect the regulations in force. Contact an accredited service professional for disposal of this product.  
Contaminated packaging: dispose of with unused product

## 14. INFORMATION FOR TRANSPORT

|                               | Transport by land<br>(ADR/RID) | Transport by river<br>(ADN) | Transport by sea<br>(IMDG) | Transport by air<br>(ICAO-TI / IATA-DGR) |
|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------|--|
| 14.1. UN number               | Not regulated for transport    |                             |                            |  |
| 14.2. UN shipping name        | Not regulated for transport    |                             |                            |  |
| 14.3. Hazard class or classes | Not regulated for transport    |                             |                            |  |
| 14.4. Packaging group         | Not regulated for transport    |                             |                            |  |

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|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| <b>14.5. Environmental hazards:</b> | Not regulated for transport |
| <b>14.6. Classification</b>         | Non-hazardous goods         |
| <b>14.7. Additional information</b> | Not regulated for transport |

**14.8. Specific precautions to be taken by the user**

Not Available

**14.9. Bulk transport in accordance with Appendix II of MARPOL 73/78 and the IBC Code**

Not Applicable

**15. REGULATORY INFORMATION**

**Regulations/legislation specific to the substance or mixture regarding safety, health and the environment**

**Canada:**

WHMIS: Class D2B (Eye irritation)



- DSL Status: All the components of this product can be found on the Canadian DSL list

This product has been classified in accordance with the hazard criteria of the *Controlled Products Regulations* and the MSDS contains all the information required by the *Controlled Products Regulations*.

**USA:**

This product has been classified in accordance with the 2012 hazard criteria of the *Occupational Safety and Health Administration's (OSHA) Hazard Communication Standard (HCS)* and the SDS contains all the information required by the 29 CFR § 1910.1200 .

- SARA 302: None of the chemical components of this material are subject to the reporting requirements of SARA Title III, Section 302.

- SARA 313: This material does not contain any CAS chemical constituents that are known to exceed the threshold established by SARA Title III, Section 313.

- SARA 311/312 Hazards: Acute Health Hazard

- Massachusetts Right To Know Components: None of the chemical components of this material are subject to the requirements of the Massachusetts Right to Know Act.

- Pennsylvania Right To Know Components

Succinic acid:

CAS number

110-15-6

Revision Date

- New Jersey Right To Know Components:

Succinic acid

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- California Prop. 65 Components:

This product does not contain any chemical substances known in the

state of California to cause cancer, congenital malformations or any other reproductive damage.

## 16. OTHER INFORMATION

### 16.1. Information about the revision

SDS created on 22/06/2012.

### 16.2. Meanings of the abbreviations and acronyms used

ACGIH: American conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists  
ADN/ADNR: regulations relating to the transportation of hazardous substances in barges on navigable waterways  
ADR/RID: European agreement relating to international transport of hazardous goods by road/regulations relating to the international transport of hazardous goods by rail  
CAS number: Chemical Abstract Service number  
CEN: European Committee for Standardisation  
CLP: classification, labelling and packaging  
DSL: Domestic Substances List  
EC number: European Commission number  
EC<sub>50</sub>: Effective Concentration – 50%  
EU: European Union  
HCS: Hazard Communication Standard  
HMIS: Hazardous Material Information System  
IARC: International Agency for Research on Cancer  
IATA-DGR: International Air Transport Association – Dangerous Goods Regulations  
IBC: International Bulk Chemical  
ICAO-TI: International Civil Aviation Organization - Technical Instructions  
IMDG: International Maritime Dangerous Goods Code  
LC<sub>50</sub>: Lethal Concentration – 50%  
LD<sub>50</sub>: Lethal Dose – 50%  
MARPOL: International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution From Ships  
MSDS: Material Safety Data Sheet  
NFPA: National Fire Protection Association  
NIOSH: National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health  
NOAEL: No Observed Adverse Effect Level  
NOEC: No Observed Effect Concentration  
NTP: National Toxicology Program  
OECD: Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development  
OSHA: Occupational Safety and Health Administration  
PBT: Persistent Bioaccumulative Toxic Substances  
Prop.: Proposition  
SARA: Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act  
SDS: Safety Data Sheet  
UN number: United Nations number  
vPvB: very Persistent and very Bioaccumulative  
WHMIS: Workplace Hazardous Material Information System

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### **APPENDIX 3**

#### **NMR REPORT DETERMINING EQUIVALENCY BETWEEN PETRO-BASED AND BIO-BASED SUCCINIC ACID**

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Dijon, January 23rd, 2012

**Report n°17843**

**Quote : T12010101 dated January 11th, 2012**

**RE : MNR 1H and 13C{1H}\* Analyses**

\* Analysis performed by an affiliate laboratory.

**1) Purpose**

Characterization of a sample of succinic acid by 1H et 13C{1H} Nuclear Magnetic Resonance.

**2) Samples**

Internal reference : 11wpcm\_03579\_RMN référence FILAB : 17843-42779

**3) Analysis**

**a/ Equipment**

Analyses were performed on a RMN 300 MHz Bruker spectrophotometer equipped with a BBOF sensor at room temperature (300 ° K).

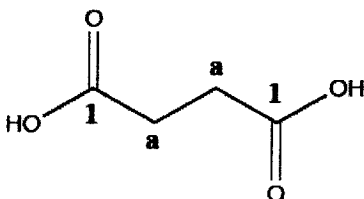
**b/ Sample preparation**

Samples containing about 10 mg of product was diluted in DMSO-d6 and introduced in a NMR 5 mm tube.

**c/ Results**

Les spectres RMN obtenus sont présentés en annexe. MNR spectra obtained are presented in Appendix (Annexes).

Table 1 : Table showing different MNR 1H and 13C signals.





Spectre 1D  $^1\text{H}$

Spectre 1D  $^{13}\text{C}$

|           | $\delta$ (ppm) | nb de 1H | multiplicité |          | $\delta$ (ppm) |                   |
|-----------|----------------|----------|--------------|----------|----------------|-------------------|
| <b>a</b>  | 2,408          | 4        | (s)          | <b>A</b> | 28,7           | 2 CH <sub>2</sub> |
| <b>OH</b> | 12,07          | 2        | (s) large    | <b>1</b> | 173,6          | 2 CO              |

Spectra are comparable to those found in the SDBS spectra bank (ref 2001) corresponding with succinic acid.

#### 4) Conclusion

Spectra obtained were identical to the structure of succinic acid.

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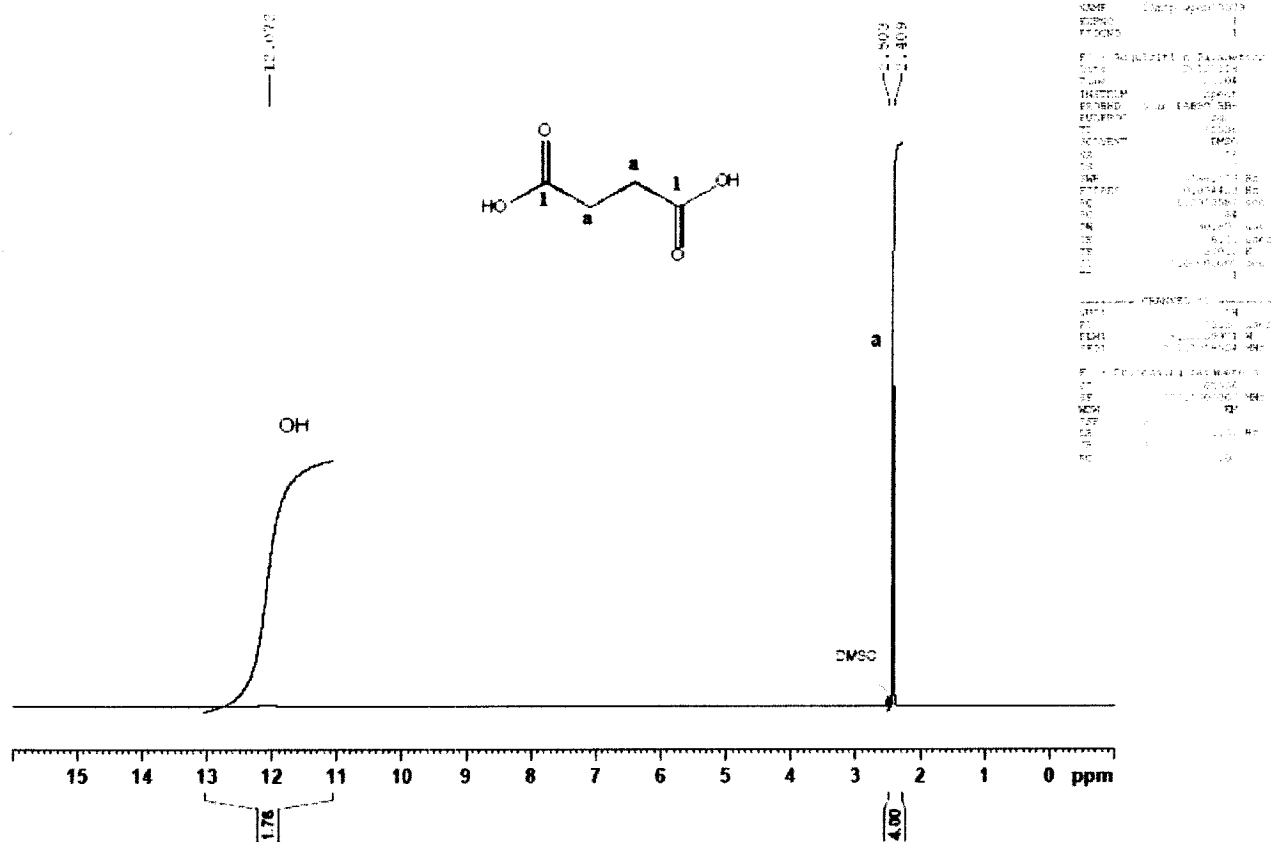
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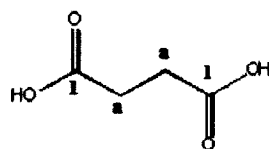
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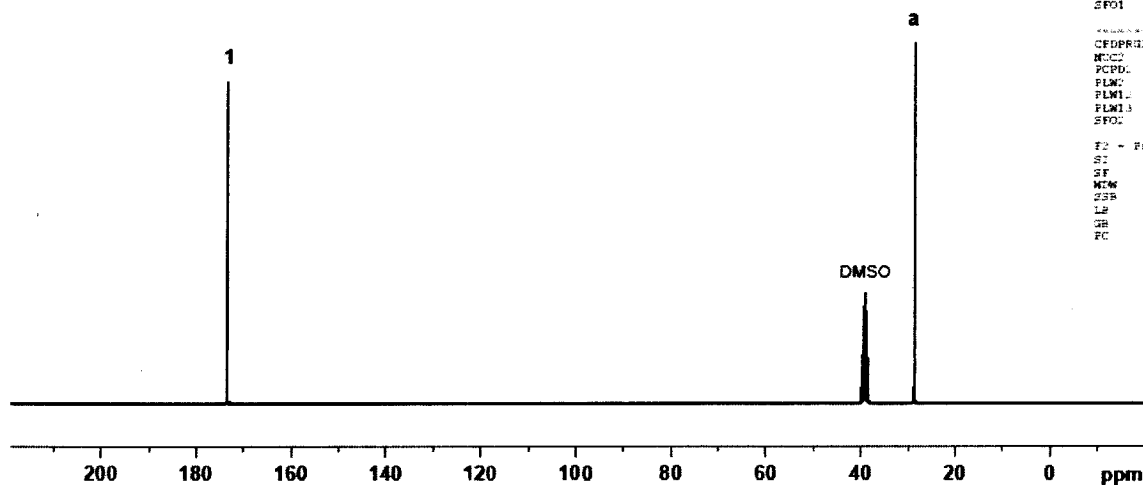


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